



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION DRINKING WATER WEEK

- WHEREAS: The health, safety, and well-being of all Georgians are of utmost importance to the prosperity and livelihood of our families and communities across the state; and
- WHEREAS: Georgia's streams, lakes, rivers, watersheds, and other water sources must be protected to maintain the health of our citizens as well as our wildlife and fishery populations; and
- WHEREAS: Water security is accomplished at multiple levels by protecting natural water resources, keeping drinking water supplies clean and safe, planning for adequate future water supply, improving operations and water system fortification, establishing infrastructure and policy, and providing physical protection for water treatment and distribution infrastructure; and
- WHEREAS: To best preserve our environment and prepare for the health of future generations of Georgians, it is crucial that we protect our water supply and other natural resources; and
- WHEREAS: Each citizen has a duty to avoid littering and to obey the laws that were enacted to protect Georgia's water supplies for both human usage and the safety of our state's diverse ecological systems; and
- WHEREAS: Similarly, elected officials at each level of government, as well as businesses and citizens throughout our state, play a role in ensuring that every Georgia citizen has access to clean, healthy drinking water; and
- WHEREAS: Groups including the Southeast Community Assistance Project, Inc. have been celebrating National Drinking Water Week during the first week of May since the 1980's, following a joint congressional resolution to authorize the week-long observance; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May D6-12, 2018, as DRINKING WATER WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 19th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Chris W. Rieley

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